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I send greetings to those celebrating Public Service Recognition Week.

The important work of government employees strengthens our Nation and helps many realize the promise of America. Across our country, dedicated men and women at the Federal, State, and local levels help protect our citizens, preserve our freedom, ensure justice, provide vital services, and advance the growth and prosperity of our country. For 20 years, this week has recognized the achievements of government employees, highlighting their efforts to enhance security and the efficiency and effectiveness of the public sector.

I applaud our public servants for your leadership and dedication to excellence in serving the American people. Your spirit of professionalism and commitment reflects the best of our Nation.

Laura and I send our best wishes.

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to be "George W. Bush".